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SUBJECT: CONSTRUCTION, FOR JAPANESE SPACE AGENCY, OF DOWN RANGE
TRACKING STATION ON KWAJALEIN

REF: STATE A-6347

1. NASDA HAS MADE FOLLOWING ORAL COMMENTS ON US VIEWS ON
DOWNRANGE TRACKING STATION FREQUENCY USAGE CONTAINED IN REF
AIRGRAM:

1) NASDA WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER INFORMATION, IF POSSIBLE,
ON USE OF 400.9 MHZ BY DOD SATELLITES, INCLUDING BAND WIDTH,
TYPE OF MODULATION, OPERATING SCHEDULE AND POSITION. IN THIS
CONNECTION, NASDA HAS REVIEWED MOST RECENT ISSUE AVAILABLE
IN JAPAN OF INTERNATIONAL FREQUENCY LIST, AND ARE UNABLE TO
LOCATE THE ENTRIES FOR US SPACE TELEMETRY OPERATION IN VICINITY
OF 400.9 MHZ REFERRED TO IN REF AIRGRAM. EMBASSY WOULD
APPRECIATE RECEIVING LIST WITH THESE ENTIRE, OR FURTHER DETAILS
ON HOW THEY MIGHT BE LOCATED IN LIST. EMBASSY WOULD ALSO
APPRECIATE RECEIVING INFORMATION ON DOD SATELLITES REQUESTED BY
NASDA, TO THE EXTENT THIS CAN BE DISCLOSED.

2. DEVELOPMENT OF THE JAPANESE SATELLITES HAS PROCEEDED TO
POINT WHERE ANY FREQUENCY CHANGES ARE VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE.
NASDA THUS WANTS TO KNOW WHAT KIND OF RESPONSE US REALLY EXPECTS
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TO COMMENTS IN REFAIRGRAMM. ON BASIS OF PARA 4 OF REF, EMBASSY

ASSUMES WE WILL NOT PRESS JAPANESE TO MAKE CHANGES IN FREQUENCY,
BUT WILL EXPECT THEM TO COORDINATE USAGE. IN THIS REGARD,
NASDA OFFICIALS SEEM UNCERTAIN OF PROCEDURES BY WHICH SUCH
COORDINATION IS EFFECTED. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER EMBASSY
UNDERSTANDING CORRECT, AND HOW COORDINATION IS UNDERTAKEN.
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